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Prior application:
 Examiner P. Prebilic

Art Unit 338.

The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Box FWC Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a X continuation divisional application under 37 CFR 1.62, of pending prior application serial no. 07/253,115 filed on October 4, 1988 of Richard A. Schatz for EXPANDABLE INTRALUMINAL GRAFT.

The above identified prior application in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. Please use all the contents of the prior application file wrapper, including the drawings, as the basic papers for the new application.

- 1. X. Enter the amendment previously filed on December 17, 1990 under 37 CFR 1.116 but unentered, in the prior application.
- 2. ____A preliminary amendment is enclosed.

 (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)

The filing fee is calculated below on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at $1\ \mathrm{and}\ 2\ \mathrm{above}$.

FOR:	No. Filed	No. Extra
Basic fee Total claims Indep claims Multiple Dependent Claims Presented	6-20= 2- 3=	0(*) 0(*)

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Fees for small entity			Fees for other than a small entity	
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- 3. ____The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. ___. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- 4. X/A check in the amount of \$630.00 is enclosed.
- 5. ___A new oath or declaration is included since this application is a continuation-in-part which discloses and claims additional matter.

Amend the specification by inserting before

the first line the sentence: This application is a X continuation division Continuation-in-part, of application serial no 07/253,115, filed October 4, 1988, we observed.

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- 7. A verified statement claiming small entity status is enclosed (necessary even if a statement was filed in the prior application).
- 8. Priority of application serial no.

 filed on is claimed under 35

 U.S.C. 119.
 - The certified copy has been filed in prior application serial no. ______, filed
- 9. X The prior application is assigned of record to EXPANDABLE GRAFTS PARTNERSHIP.
- 10. X/ The power of attorney in the prior application is to Ben D. Tobor.
 - a. ____The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
 - b. Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
 - c. X Address all future communications to Ben D. Tobor, 11037 Katy Freeway, Swite 1400, Houston, Texas 77079. (May only be completed by applicant or attorney or agent of record.)

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- X A Petition for Extension of Time to respond to the outstanding Office Action in Application Serial No. 07/253,115, filed October 4, 1988, due February 19, 1991 is enclosed herewith along with a check in the amount of \$300.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17.
- 12. Certificate of mailing.
- 13. Certificate of mailing by Express Mail NB 373 573 629.

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15. Supplemental Statement under R.1.97

It is understood that secrecy under 35 U.S.C. 122 is hereby waived to the extent that if information or access is available to any one of the applications in the file wrapper of a 37 CFR 1.62 application, be it either this application or a prior application in the same file wrapper, the Patent and Trademark Office may provide similar information or access to all the other applications in the same file wrapper. in the same file wrapper.

The undersigned declare further that all statements made hereby of his or her own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United/States Code and that such willful false statements may jedpardize the validity of the application or any patent/issuing thereon.

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Name of Registered Representative

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